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To: Strynar, Mark [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=5a9910d5b38e471497bd875fd329a20a-Strynar, Mark]; Lindstrom, Andrew [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=04bf7cf26aa44ce29763fbc1c1b2338e-Lindstrom, Andrew]; Sun, Mei [msun8@uncc.edu]
Subject: Re: Revision Requested for Manuscript ID ez-2016-00398y

Sounds good. Thank you, Mark.

Detlef

On 11/3/16 3:27 PM, Strynar, Mark wrote:

I won't have time to get any additional comments by the end of this week. Let me look at Andy's comments over the weekend and email you if I have any additional.

Mark

From: Detlef Knappe [mailto:knappe@ncsu.edu]
Sent: Thursday, November 03, 2016 3:23 PM
To: Lindstrom, Andrew <Lindstrom.Andrew@epa.gov>; Sun, Mei <msun8@uncc.edu>; Strynar, Mark <Strynar.Mark@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Revision Requested for Manuscript ID ez-2016-00398y

Thank you, Andy! Mark, will you also have separate comments? Just trying to plan ahead. Mei requested and received an extension to election day.

Detlef

On 11/3/16 2:15 PM, Lindstrom, Andrew wrote:

Mei and Detlef,

Please see my comments in the Reviewing Pane.

I hope this helps a little.

Please let me know if we can do anything else.

Thank you,

Andy

From: Sun, Mei [mailto:msun8@uncc.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, November 02, 2016 5:03 PM
To: Lindstrom, Andrew <Lindstrom.Andrew@epa.gov>; Strynar, Mark <Strynar.Mark@epa.gov>

Cc: Detlef Knappe <knappe@ncsu.edu>

Subject: Re: Revision Requested for Manuscript ID ez-2016-00398y

Hi Mark and Andy

Sorry I had to leave in a hurry for class. Here is a list of things your input would be very helpful, based on our discussion:

Reviewer 2, comment 8 & 10

Reviewer 4, comment 2 & 5.

Is there anything else we talked about but I missed?

Thank you.

Mei Sun

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On Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 2:15 PM, Lindstrom, Andrew

<Lindstrom.Andrew@epa.gov> wrote:

From: Sun, Mei [<mailto:msun8@uncc.edu>]

Sent: Friday, October 21, 2016 6:20 PM

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Our paper is accepted with revision!

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Title: "Legacy and emerging perfluoroalkyl substances are important drinking water contaminants in the Cape Fear River Watershed of North Carolina"

Author(s): Sun, Mei; Arevalo, Elisa; Strynar, Mark; Lindstrom, Andrew; Richardson, Michael; Kearns, Ben; Smith, Chris ; Pickett, Adam ; Knappe, Detlef

Dear Dr. Sun:

We have received the reviews of your manuscript and they are enclosed with this letter. As you will see from the attached reviews, the reviewer(s) have identified important issues that must be addressed in order to consider your manuscript further for publication.

Based on the reviews and my own reading of your manuscript, I have concluded that your manuscript may eventually be publishable in Environmental Science & Technology Letters, but only with appropriate revision that adequately addresses the concerns of the reviewers. A review of the revised manuscript may be required by one or more reviewers.

The principal concerns expressed are regarding analytical details/protocols and the general flow of the manuscript (i.e., how the different facets are combined).

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